

**RESPONSE TO COMMENTS
&
FINAL DECISION**

on the

REMEDIAL ACTION DECISION DOCUMENT (RADD)

**[Former Cedar Chemical Facility]
[Intersection of U.S. Highway 49 & Highway 242]
[Helena-West Helena]
[Philips County]
Arkansas**

AFIN: 72-00174

A. INTRODUCTION.

On February 24, 2010, the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality – Hazardous Waste Division (ADEQ) proposed a Remedial Action Decision Document (RADD) for the [Former Cedar Chemical Facility](#) site located at the intersection of U.S. Hwy 49 and Hwy 242, [Helena-West Helena, in](#) Philips County, Arkansas. This RADD outlined the proposed remedy for the property.

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This Response to Comments and Final Decision addresses and documents for the public record the comments and issues raised concerning the notice of the RADD, provides [ADEQ](#)'s response to the issues raised during the public participation process; and sets forth the final decision and approval of the RADD attached herein.

B. SELECTED REMEDY.

The selected remedy for the [Former Cedar Chemical Facility](#) site is set forth in the attached final Remedial Action Decision Document (RADD).

Within thirty (30) days of completing all activities outlined in the RADD, [Potentially Responsible Parties \(PRPs\)](#) shall submit to ADEQ for review and approval a completion report. The completion report shall include information to document that no unacceptable risks, as described in A.C.A. § 8-7-502, remain on-site as a result of the release of hazardous substances, and the site has been remediated in accordance with the provisions set forth in the RADD. The completion report shall be reviewed by ADEQ and, upon written approval by ADEQ, a letter of No Further Action will be issued.

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C. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ACTIVITIES.

The ADEQ issued a public notice of the RADD on February 24, 2010. Notice was published in the [Helena Daily World](#), and comments were accepted for a 30-day period. The public comment period closed on March 25, 2010. A public hearing was also held on March 16, 2010 at the UAMS Area Health Education Center in Helena-West Helena. Written and verbal comments were received prior to the end of the comment period.

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D. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND THE DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSE.

[The following comments were received on the RADD.]

E. FUTURE ACTIONS.

Effective with this Decision, the final Remedial Action Decision Document is incorporated into and will become a condition of a Consent Administrative Order between PRPs and the Department,], as though set forth therein line for line and word for word.

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F. DECLARATIONS.

ADEQ believes that the remedies proposed in this RADD, which were primarily based on remedies proposed in the Feasibility Study Report submitted by [AMEC Geomatrix], are appropriate, technically feasible, reliable, and cost effective. With respect to risk management decisions made by ADEQ, this remedy is deemed acceptable, and to be protective of human health and the environment.

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Clyde E. Rhodes, Jr.

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Chief
Hazardous Waste Division
Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality

Enclosure:
Final RADD